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Serial No.: 10/020,547

Filed: October 30, 2001

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This Petition is being filed concurrently with the Applicants' Third Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, and the Applicants' Certification Under 37 CFR §1.97(e)(1).

The Applicants, through the undersigned attorney, hereby petitions the Office, requesting consideration of the Applicants' concurrently filed Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, in accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(d).


A check in the amount of \$180.00 is enclosed herewith in payment of the fee as set forth in 37 CFR §1.17(p).

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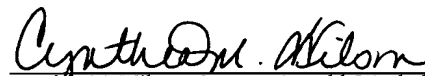


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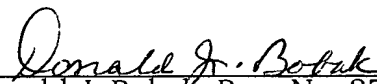
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This Certification is being filed concurrently with the Applicants' Third Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, and the Applicants' Petition Requesting Consideration of an Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 CFR §1.97(d).

The undersigned states that each item of information contained in the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, filed concurrently herewith, was cited in a written communication from the European Patent Office dated October 31, 2003, and related to a counterpart International patent application, not more than three months prior to the filing of the statement.

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TRANSMITTAL SHEET

Enclosed are the following documents:

Third Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement
PTO Form 1449

Petition Requesting Consideration of an Information Disclosure Statement

Certification Under 37 CFR §1.97(e)(1)

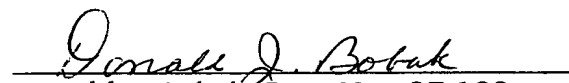
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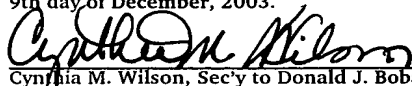


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**THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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A Final Action was mailed in this application on October 9, 2003. Accordingly, this Third Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with the Applicants' Certification Under 37 CFR §1.97(e)(1), and the Applicants' Petition Requesting Consideration of an Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 CFR §1.97(d).

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.97, regarding the filing of an Information Disclosure Statement, The Applicants hereby submit the following in compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 CFR §1.56. The art provided herewith is art that was cited in a written opinion from the EPO in the Applicants' counterpart International patent application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

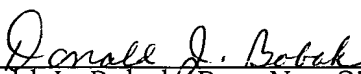
Information or art known to the Applicants and having an extent of relevance to the present application has been listed on PTO Form 1449 attached hereto and includes two U.S. Patents. In accordance with new patent rules, copies of the cited art is not enclosed. A copy of the written opinion is enclosed.

No representation is made that a specific search has been made, that the information is pertinent to the claimed subject matter, that the information represents the only or the best information, or that the information is non-

information they have provided is necessarily prior to their invention but rather that it is information of which they are aware and that they believe should be provided to the Office in fulfillment of their duty of disclosure.

In the event further clarification of the art may be deemed necessary, the undersigned attorney would welcome a telephone call from the Examiner. Should the Examiner hold a contrary opinion regarding relevance of any of the patents discussed herein, it will readily be reconsidered in light of any rejection which may be made.

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